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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35

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The Power of God

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Good morning. It's a pleasure to be coming your way once again with the gospel. This is THE MISSION TRAIL broadcast and your speaker is Willie Murphey. Today I want to speak about something which is important to all of us. It is the power of God. We understand that through faith the worlds were framed and we know that God has all power. There is nothing too hard for God. The things which are impossible with men are no struggle at all for the Lord to do. But we, as his people, need to be able to draw on the resources of God, and have a portion of that power within our own lives.

Jesus in speaking to his disciples just before he returned to his father had this to say, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8 What we need today is more of the power of God. Power is that which causes things to move. It is active. It is forceful and will make us overcomers. This is what we need in our lives to cause us to be active for the Lord, and to be soul winners for him, and let the world know where we stand and what we believe, when it comes to the truth of God's word. Have you this power in your life? I am not speaking about one's own personal power, because this is limited. If God doesn't extend his grace to them, to us, we could do nothing. We want our power to come from God. Listen to this verse from Deut. 8:18, "But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day." If God were to withdraw his mercy, we would have no power at all.

During the trial of Christ our Lord he was brought before Pilate. He was accused, mocked, and spit upon. They put a purple robe upon him, plaited a crown of thorns, put it upon his head and they mocked him and said 'Hail, King of the Jews'. But Pilate wanted to hear Jesus speak for himself. He was concerned. He wanted to know just what this man of Galilee would have to say and when Jesus didn't speak enough to satisfy him, here is what Pilate said, "Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?" John 19:10 But going a little further with the scripture look at the reply which Jesus said, Have you ever heard words that had such meaning? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that

delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin." Let us remember that Christ had power over death and over hell. His power was manifest to heal all those that were oppressed of the enemy and were afflicted when they came to him. This power was given unto him and it had been shown unto the world. The lame had been made to walk, the dumb to speak, the deaf to hear, and the blind eyes had been opened. He put to shame the Pharisees who were hypocritical and professed to love God but in works they denied him.

One of the best examples of power which is seen in our day is the electrical power generated for home use and in the shops and industries. How quickly we notice when the power is gone from the electrical circuits. Here is a typical example given in a letter which I recently received from Sis. Beatrice Spaur who attended the assembly meeting in Pacoima, Calif.:

'Another experience we had--the ordiance service was so precious, such a wonderful message. As the minister was dismissing the assembly the lights went out just as he said amen. We were in darkness. We found out later an airplane had gotten tangled in the lines and broke the wires; was quite an area in darkness. The saints had some candles, put them up in pulpit, made me think of the dark ages when God's children met in caves to worship the Lord. I am sure they had but little light, but they had the light of God in their hearts. The saints continued to sing and oh, such beautiful singing, one song after another. The lights were off at least two hours or more, looked like if the minister preached it would be by candle light and they were burning down. I believe Bro. Chandler got up and went to the pulpit. The saints were singing, 'Lord, sent the power down' and as they sang the lights came on. Then the shouting started. It was a real outpouring of the Spirit. Some stood up shouting the praises of God. Yes, the Church of God is still moving on, praise the Lord!' End of quote

Well, thank the Lord for the power he gives his children over all the power of the enemy. We hope you have that victory today in your lives and if you don't, you surely should be seeking for it.

David in praising the Lord puts it this way, "Wherefore David blessed the Lord before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel our father, for ever and ever. Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name." I Chron. 29:10-13 And in the Psalms 62:11 we find these words, "God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God." There is power in the name of Christ. There is power in prayer to move and lift the heavy burdens. There is power to transform a life of sin into one of righteousness. Jesus likened the new birth, when he was speaking to Nicodemus, unto the wind blowing. It couldn't be seen, but the results of it were much in evidence and so it is with God's power. There is plenty of it to meet all of our needs, if we can just place ourselves in a position to receive

it from him. In Isa. 40:29 we read these words, "He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength." Then in Eph. 1:19, "And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power".

But let me show you another thing. There are some folks whose experience is just like this scripture says in II Tim. 3 and beginning with the first verse, "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." Denying what power? Denying God the power to transform their lives, to change their hearts from a heart of stone, to one upon which he will write his laws and his commandments. They deny God the power to rule and reign in their life, seeking rather their own sinful pleasures. Now from these the scripture says to turn away.

Let us pray,

Our Father,

We are aware that all power is given into thy hands, and that the God who created the world, the universe, and the stars of heaven is able to help us in the time of need. We are so glad that thou art mindful of your own children. Give us the power to live daily above sin and free from condemnation in the light of God. Bless each listener of the broadcast today with salvation, healing and deliverance and to thee we will give the praise through Christ our Lord. Amen

Thank you so much for taking the time to listen to the broadcast today. God has shown himself strong in our behalf many times over again. To him we give the praise, the honor, and the glory. If we are able to accomplish anything at all it is through his power and mercy. We hope you too will find his grace sufficient for your needs too. If you are in trouble, take your needs to the Lord in prayer. If you are unsaved, confess and forsake your sins. Accept the Lord as your saviour. If you need healing, remember God has the power to heal too. We hope you will find in him your all in all. If we may be of help to you, be sure to let us know. You may write us by addressing The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Okla. And now this song, "Take time to be holy". The singers are Bob Forbes, Troy Gentry, Dale Doolittle, and Randall Flynn.

Friends, until we met again this is Willie Murphey saying may heaven's richest blessings be with each and every one of you and a very cheerful goodbye!

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Testimonies

MORE of Sis. Spaur's letter:
From Ore.: "I am so thankful I got to spend a few days in the Pacoima Assembly, did not get there till Wednesday, very tired and weary having spent the night on the bus, but as I met the dear saints, soon felt rested and was able to attend the morning service. Every service I was in was rich to my soul seeing dear ones go to the altar and getting up testifying to victory with shining faces. I'll mention one young

boy in his teens I would say. As he prayed I was sitting by his mother--did not know this till I heard her praying and weeping, 'Oh, Lord save my boy; save him, Lord.' And that touched my heart and I prayed with her. Soon this boy got up and testified the Lord had saved him. The dear mother was out in the aisles shouting and praising the Lord. Bro. Willie, I prayed, 'Oh Lord give the church--give me a burden, a soul burden like this dear mother had as she wept there in prayer.' I say when Zion travails, the Bible says this also, 'sons and daughters will be born.' This mother was praying no loud prayer, but oh how she plead with tears for God to save her boy. Yes, I said, 'dear Lord, give me more of a burden for souls. . .'I visited different ones in the home, all so happy in the Lord. Also visited with dear mother Zinn, set by her bedside to relieve our dear Sister Stover. Such love manifested there around that sick bed. Yes, how dear the saints are. Sister Georgia would whisper, 'one step nearer home' when one would ask her how she was. Yes, I felt the presence of the Lord, oh so many times in this meeting and was blessed to have the privilege to stay in Sister Vera Forbes' home, such sweet memories there. . . dear Sister Vera is still busy for the Lord. May the dear Lord bless and reward her for her goodness to me. . . I am praying the dear Lord will give me the strength I need and above all the spiritual strength as I grow older I'll be more like Christ."

--Sister Beatrice Spaur

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From La.: "The dear Lord has been and is so precious to me. We can't begin to thank him enough for all his many blessings. I have gotten home from a rather long visit with my daughter Sybilla and family in Ky. I enjoyed being there also being with the saints in that congregation. . . The Lord wonderfully blessed our daughter and husband with a sweet baby girl. . . thank the saints for their prayers. . . We appreciate every effort that anyone puts forth to help spread this wonderful truth to a lost and dying world. We are praying more souls will seek Jesus and feel they need him more than anything in this world in this coming year than they have in the past years. . . May God bless each of you is our prayer."

--Sis. Effie Miller

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From Kansas: "I am so glad that Jesus Christ, our mediator, is touched with the feeling of our infirmities. Though we have had some adverse circumstances, God has seemed more real and dear to us. Yes, do continue sending us the Mission Trail, which is such an encouragement."

--Carol and Paul Cole and family

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From Minn.: "I love the Lord because He first loved me and died in my room and stead so that I might have life more abundantly. He helps me day by day in health and in strength and supplies all my needs. And has prepared a home everlasting in the heavens. Glory to God in the highest. Pray for our little congregation and we are praying for you and all the saints."

--Bro. Andrew Senti

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From Okla.: "Greeting you all in the precious Holy Name of Jesus, who hung on the cross, bled and died for our many many sins, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. I am so glad that I am one of His little ones that has faith to believe in Him and trust in Him for both soul and body. Truly I need your prayers that I will go all the way."

--Sis. Sarah F. Brown

Christian, Saints, Arise and Trim Your Lamps!

"Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord, Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it." James 5:7, 8

How patiently God laboured and waited --preparing each person who was to become a part of His great redemption plan. Perhaps some failed to be obedient; some got discouraged and gave up; not realizing God was proving them and preparing them for His world-wide plan of redemption; till at last He found several who "prayed through" for a Savior and others who were willing to let go and let God have their lives to use as He pleased, and God saw the fullness of time had come as they of earth all joined together in one great prevailing prayer and mind and desire --utterly abandoning themselves--to be filled with the very life of God.

Yes, it costs something to be brought to the fullness of God's time! But we find in the word of God most every one of God's prophets and saints waited often for years for God to bring them to the fullness of the desires of their heart. "And when the fullness of time was come, God brought it to pass"! Only a few knew "when the fullness of God's time had come", "When God was manifested in the flesh"; since then hundreds of years have gone by and tens of thousands have been redeemed and received into the body of Christ.

What is the next great event on the calendar of God's time? The church is looking for the coming of Jesus when the fullness of God's time is come and he will usher in the last day. "Behold, he cometh with clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, amen."

In the meantime "the everlasting gospel must be preached unto every nation, kindred, tongue and people that dwell on earth." Rev. 14:6, 7--"and then shall the end come". Matt. 24:14 When we have finished his work on earth and the fullness of God's time has come, he will send Jesus, not to earth as so many are deceived into believing: no! he will return in the same manner he left earth. Acts 1:9, 11 "Behold, he cometh with clouds." Rev. 1:7 The church shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: So shall we ever be with the Lord." Thess. 4:16, 17 "The heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men." II Pet. 3:7

Millions of earth have not yet heard "the everlasting gospel". How long will God wait on the church to accomplish this unfinished labor? We have no promise of tomorrow! Millions were lost in the flood. "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be when the Son of man comes again."

Christian, saints, arise and trim your lamps. Let us join hands, hearts, and faith, and in the might and spirit of God put forth our last great effort to reach every soul of earth with God's last great invitation to repent and believe on his son and be saved and filled with the precious Holy Spirit. I Tim. 2:3-6 --Sister Ada Scanlan

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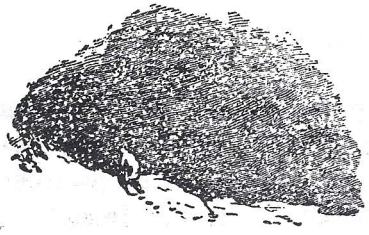
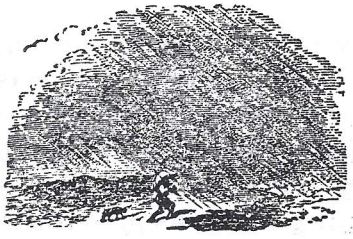
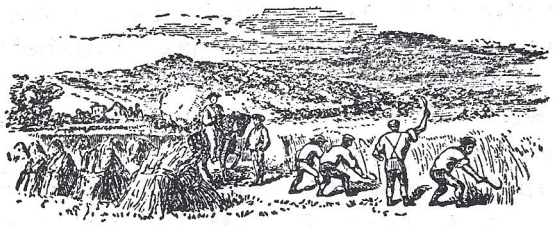
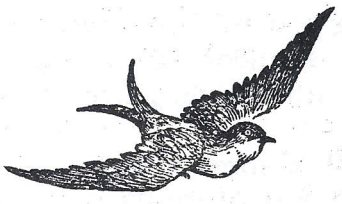
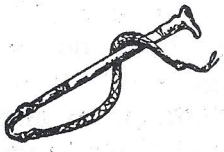
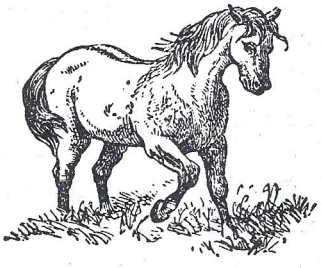
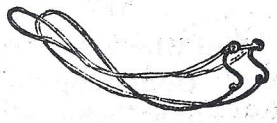
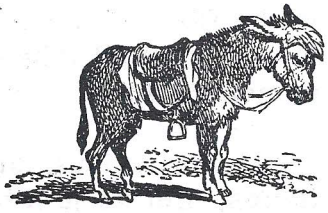
As  in summer and as 

in  , so honour is not seemly for a fool.

As the by wandering, as the  by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come. A  for the  , a 

for the  , and a

for the fool's back.

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at press time

we understand:

Sis. Essie Carter from Huntington, W. Virginia, is presently in Columbus, Ohio helping care for her mother who recently had a stroke. She is in her sister's home and writes concerning her mother, "If she still keeps improving I would like to go home toward last of this month. So if any of the saint ladies feel led to come and help me with my mother it would sure be appreciated. Let me know just as soon as you can." Sis. Essie Carter, 1866 Lehner Road, Columbus, Ohio 43229

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"The all-day meeting will be at Myrtle, Mo. the first Sun. in Feb. instead of Senath as was stated in Faith and Victory. The all-day mtg. will be first Sun. in March, at Senath."

--Bro. Murphy Allen

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In Jan. 16 Mission Trail we anounced the birth of a daughter to Edward and Vesta Nadine whose last name was incorrectly given as Roberts. The correct name is Robertson. Also the new arrival at Jerry and Allyson French's home is not a daughter, but a boy! --Ed.

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From Okla.: "Greetings in Jesus name. I am still saved, trusting the Lord for all things and thankful for His love and mercy unto me. The first Sunday in 69 we buried a sister. The first Sunday 1970 I buried my last sister in Bessemer, Alabama. I am very tired and weary but looking to the Lord to sustain me. There are some problems to be worked out and I am asking the saints to pray with me that all will be well in time."

--Sis. Amy Hunter

From Mo.: "We want to thank each one for their prayer. I am sending prayer requests for my husband. He has the diabetes."

--Elmer and Edna Blacksher

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From Mont.: "We really look forward to our copy of The Mission Trail, especially these cold snowy winter days. I found this among my clippings and thought it would be a good message or reminder in The Mission Trail:

DO IT NOW

It's not the dollar you wish you had,
Nor the million you'd give after you're dead.
But the dollar you NOW have while you live
That will win the lost if you'd only give!

A dollar NOW given in His Name
Is worth the thousand you'd give if it came.
Dream not what you'd do if wealth were your lot
But give NOW the best of what you've got!. . .

Obey God's Word; your dollars NOW give,
Enable the lost to hear and live!
Let's spread the Gospel at all cost,
Let's sacrifice NOW and win the lost!

"I don't know who the author was. I'm sending my dollar now--Edith's too. Love and prayers,"

--Sis. Betty Davis

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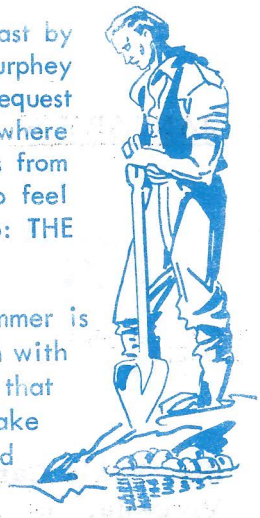
For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."



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